

Is by ADVERTISING.
Light under a bushel gives
no light.

Of a Merchant who Does Not Get
any Business Because He Refuses
to Advertise. Very Foolish!
Well, Rather.

HOLE IN HIS HEAD.

Manuel Sousa of Oakland
Living With

PART OF HIS SKULL GONE—LOSES SOME BRAINS.

One of the Most Remarkable Cases
Ever Treated at the Oakland
Railroad Hospital.

Hole in His Head.

Manuel Sousa is attending to his daily duties, although he has a hole an inch in diameter in his head and a small portion of his brain is missing. Sousa is a Portuguese, employed by the Southern Pacific as a car painter. He lives on the edge of the tidal canal with his young wife and one child.

Two months ago Sousa was thrown from an Alameda train. In falling to the ground a bolt was driven down into his skull, penetrating the brain a full inch.

Sousa was treated at the Fabiola Hospital by Drs. Olmstead and McQuaid, the surgeons of the Southern Pacific Company.

"The most unusual part of the case," said Dr. Olmstead today, "is that Sousa did not lose consciousness after the accident until we put him under the influence of chloroform in order to perform the operation. When he was brought to the hospital," he told us, "all about the accident in the most minute detail, even to the name of the man who picked up his hat and placed it upon his head."

"There was a jagged hole in the head an inch in diameter. The bolt had splintered the inner plate of the skull. Splinters of bone ranging from as big as the first joint of the little finger to small particles had been driven into the brain matter."

We trimmed up the wound and picked the splinters of bone out of the brain. We found the brain cut and mangled, and we had to take out more than a teaspoonful of brain matter. In searching for splintered bone I put my finger nearly two inches into the brain and touched the seat of leg-control, for every time I touched that point the leg of the man would fly up.

Sousa had almost uninterrupted recovery, and a few weeks ago we discharged him from the hospital. He is as well as he ever was. We did not put a plate over the hole, for the scalp and tissues that form after such a wound are sufficient to protect the brain from anything except a severe blow. A plate is very apt to act as a foreign substance and cause a great deal of trouble in after life.

The loss of the brain matter does not seem to have inconvenienced Sousa in the least. The loss was from the portion of the brain that controls the motive power of the body, but he is just as strong as he ever was.

The two charges of felony—embezzlement against McLaren, the bicycle thief, were yesterday dismissed. The District Attorney stating that he would be unable to prove that the wheels taken were worth over \$50 each, owing to the depreciation in bicycles. Two charges of misdemeanor—embezzlement, were immediately pleaded against the prisoner, and having pleaded guilty he appeared before Justice Morris of Alameda yesterday for sentence. He was given the extreme penalty of the law, six months on each charge.

Mr. Battersby, who resides on 7th street between University Avenue and Addison streets, has been sick for some time and about two weeks ago went to his bed. It is now thought that his chances for recovery are quite slim. Water on the lungs seems to be his trouble.

The increase of the public debt last month was over eight millions of dollars.

Congressmen Loud and Barham left for Washington last Saturday.

Miss Georgie Hall of Stockton is visiting friends at Lorin.

LONT.

A small maltese cat from the residence of Captain Richardson on Sixth street. Call at Mrs. Murray's on Sixth street between Addison and Allston way and receive reward for finding.

HOLIDAY PRESENTS.

Unfarian Society Will Hold a Sale of
Fancy Needle Work

Holiday Presents.

Ladies of the Unfarian Society will hold a sale of fancy needle work and many other useful and ornamental articles suitable for holiday gifts, in the Shattuck block, upstairs, on December 11th and 12th. Similar sales were held last year and at the end of the first day the supply was about exhausted.

The reason was such accounted for the ladies of the society aware of the coming sale took much interest in it and entered into a competition if it may so be called to give something which would be attractive and at the same time be the means of realizing money for society purposes. The consequence was that articles were placed on sale for about one-third of actual cost. This comes from the fact that women undervalue the worth of their labor.

There is no doubt but what the same thing will occur this year and the contributions will be disposed of as fast as exposed for sale. The only way we can give is to be on hand at the opening when the chance of selection will be at the highest point. To use a common phrase—everything will be home made and such things as a common rule are reliable.

Church Entertainment.

The bazaar, supper and entertainment to be given this evening and tomorrow evening in Shattuck Hall promises to be a very enjoyable affair. Due preparation has been made to entertain those friends who may attend pleased there will be a sale of fancy articles many of which are suitable for Christmas gifts. The sales will take place every afternoon and evening. This evening supper will be served from 5:30 to 7 o'clock. Afterwards a program of music and various other attractions have been provided. Admission to the hall will be free.

Tomorrow evening no dinner will be served, but an entertainment has been arranged for. Among the attractions will be a series of stereoscopic views of King's River Canyon, which were taken by Dr. De Conte and never before publicly exhibited in Berkeley. These views are of rare interest and beauty having been taken from points almost inaccessible to man. The proceeds of the entertainment will go to the church building fund.

Sugar Cane.

The cane-brake close by the mill has a verification at West Berkeley. In a garden very near the plaining mill can be seen probably as hundred stalks of cane growing as fine as on a southern plantation. Some of the stalks have reached the height of thirteen feet and appear as thrifty as a weed. No extra labor has been exerted for the care of it. The soil is sand mixed with adobe. It absorbs the salty moisture which comes in the air from the bay and thrives upon it. As the sun always shines here so does everything thrive.

A Lumber Slide.

Yesterday afternoon about 3 o'clock the workmen in the lumber yard and mill of Niehaus Bros. & Co. at the West End were surprised at hearing a loud crackling noise. It was low at first but soon got louder and ended with a short, sharp, snapping sound. Upon looking around to discover the cause of the unusual sound it was traced up to a space on the wharf where many thousands of feet of lumber are piled up for seasoning purposes.

On the south side of the wharf is not a long distance from the shore lumber had been piled up with an overhang, so as to leave the passage way along the center of the wharf clear for teams. In this case the weight was not balanced properly the heaviest portion going to the side towards the water. In consequence a pile of lumber seventy-five feet in length and perhaps sixteen feet high was precipitated into the bay. The slide was made in such a manner that the only loss occurring will be the labor of replacing the material upon the dock.

Mc. Thomas Evans and family of Alcatraz avenue and Calais street will move to San Francisco on Thursday and there reside.

W. P. Hukill of Benicia is visiting his brother in law K. B. Smith of Lorin.

KILLED.

Remains of Ernest C.
Kimble

FOUND AT THE RAILROAD STATION AT SIXTEENTH STREET.

In a Mangled Condition. Fell
Under the Cars From a
Brakebeam.

Mangled by the Cars.

The mangled remains of a man supposed to be Ernest C. Kimble, were found last night at 9:30 o'clock on the back just above Sixteenth street station. Early in the evening the stranger inquired about the departure of the freight train and was informed that it would pass the station at 9 o'clock. It is supposed that he attempted to ride a brakebeam on the train and was under the wheels. The body was disengaged by the conductor, who was on the steps of the caboose as the freight pulled out. A number of papers found on the decedent indicated that he was an upholsterer, trade and that he had been in a fight between Chicago and the Coast. The documents showed that Ernest C. Kimble owned lots in Olney, Washington, and that the Auditor at that place had written a letter to him at the Oskosh Infirmary concerning him. The decedent carried the deeds of these lots. J. T. McDonald being the grantor. In one pocket was found a contract wherein Ernest S. was employed by Wm. Miller and Burns of 1225 La Salle street, Chicago, to prosecute a damage suit against the Chicago and Northwestern Railroad because of injuries received by Sholes in an accident on the road. The lawyers were to receive one-half of the sum recovered.

About Heaters.

Since the beginning of the cold weather there has been more or less trouble experienced in keeping the heaters in the Oakland schools in good working order. Particularly is this the case in the High School, where it is said the thermometer in some of the recitation rooms registers 80 degrees, while in others only 40 was registered. Much complaint was heard on the part of the scholars who were compelled to pass from one of these warm rooms to a cold one, or vice versa.

The educational department declares the trouble is not with the heater, but the way it is operated. The old hot water heaters which were formerly used in the school building at Twelfth and Market streets, were purchased by the Ebell ladies and placed in their new building.

"If these heaters are good enough for the Ebell Society, which is composed of the most intelligent ladies in town," says the Mayor, "they were certainly good enough for use in the schools."

Mrs. Prescott Improving.

Mrs. Lydia Prescott, secretary of the Humane Society, who was seriously injured some time ago by being trampled upon by a horse, is slowly improving. She is at the Fabiola Hospital, and yesterday was able to sit up for a short while.

She will not be able to attend to the duties of her office for some time to come.

Mrs. Alice Poulson, widow of the late Count Peter Wilhelm Poulson, is a bride again. A few days ago she was married to George Austin, a singer in San Francisco. The couple will reside at 1760 Howard street, San Francisco.

Mr. and Mrs. Blakeley returned last evening from their wedding tour well pleased with the trip. They will take up their residence on Shattuck avenue near Center street.

William C. Shipley, with the grand officers of the Independent Order of Foresters of America, will soon have arrangements made to form a Society in Berkeley.

It is particularly requested that all members of the Beacon Fire Engine Company attend the meeting this evening. Business of unusual importance is on hand. You have your orders.

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Hold Their Regular Monthly Meeting
Last Night.

Library Trustees.

The trustees of the Free Library held a regular meeting last evening in the library room. Trustees Shattuck, Addison, Irwin and Naylor answered their names when the roll was called. Trustee Taylor coming in a little later. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. The Committee on Books reported the bids received for furnishing the list of books presented at the last meeting. The American Tract Society being the lowest bidder the contract was awarded to it by the committee and its action was approved unanimously.

The subject of printing a catalogue was referred to the Committee on Books with power to act.

The Finance Committee reported favorably on the following bills. On motion warrants were ordered drawn for the same.

C. F. Guenther	\$ 4.00
Ramos & Renas	1.75
W. R. Dickieson	25.00
John M. Foy	15.00
Rosa M. Shattuck	25.00
William Stillwell	38.20
R. W. Baker	13.35

The Committee on Printing and Supplies were instructed to confer with Trustee Irwin in relation to furnishing needed at the Lorin Reading Room.

The Librarian's report for November was received and ordered to be placed on file. On motion adjourned.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

To the Honorable Board of Trustees of the Berkeley Free Library, I respectfully submit the following report for November, 1896.

Attendance—Central Reading Room, 4664; West Berkeley Reading Room, 1434; Lorin Reading Room, 1465; Total, 7563.

Daily Average—Central Reading Room, 160; West Berkeley Reading Room, 49; Lorin Reading Room, 52. Circulation—Total circulation for November, 1604; Fiction constituted, 72 per cent. Other classes of literature, 28 per cent.

Borrowers' Cards—Cards issued during November, 47; Cards issued previously 773; Total, 820.

Accessions—Donated, 3; Purchased, 14; total, 144.

Respectfully submitted,
D. R. MOORE,
Librarian.

The Exile Returns.

Charles Heath, the colored boot-black who thinks he was railroaded to the County Jail for several months, was released from that institution today and returned immediately to Berkeley to live down as he says the reproach upon his character. He also states that a complaint has been made in the District Attorney's Office at Oakland which will cause some of the Town Officers to rise and explain. Heath has been in trouble several times and wants to get even with somebody.

Scared But Not Hurt.

J. J. Mason, the real estate dealer, loaned his team today to a gentleman and lady and as they did not return as he expected, suspicions of robbery came uppermost in his mind. He hurried away to the Town Marshal for the purpose of notifying him of his loss. It took him some time to get his information in proper shape. In the meantime the rig came back with the parties in it who had taken it away. Whether Mason apologized for considering the people dishonest has not come to our knowledge.

A brown shawl was lost yesterday near the East Berkeley Postoffice. The finder will please leave the same at the GAZETTE office, East Berkeley.

Felix Harbaugh, the aged cyclist, who was run down Sunday in Oakland, by Dr. W. H. Blood's buggy, is lying in a precarious condition at his home in Alameda. What was supposed to have been a superficial scalp wound has proved to be a fracture of the skull. It is doubtful whether the old man will recover.

District Attorney Snook said today that the law library in the courthouse was being robbed. Many volumes have disappeared.

Today's statement of the condition of the Treasury shows: Available cash balances, \$235,357,098; gold reserve, \$134,510,352.

TO AID MINING.

An Important Reorganization
Meeting.

INTERESTING SESSION OF REPRESENTATIVE PEOPLE.

Proposed to Have a Model Club
Room and All Necessary
Adjuncts.

Aid Mining.

A called meeting of the Miners Association was held last evening in the miners' hall, Oakland. Professor S. B. Christy of Berkeley was selected to be chairman, while C. B. Rutherford served in the capacity of secretary. The object of the meeting was to discuss the advisability of revising the constitution of the association, and it was decided to do so. Messrs. C. H. Pelet, Rickards, Jeffers and Eldridge were appointed as the committee to revise the constitution.

No member will be expected to remain in the association under the new constitution unless he desires to do so. Messrs. White, Jeffers and Eldridge were appointed as a committee to communicate with each member and to urge his desire as to continuing his membership.

The intention in reorganizing is to run the affairs of the association on a business basis with a president, vice president, secretary and treasurer. The committee hopes to have a membership large enough to have a club room, a library, newspapers and all publications relating to the subject of mining and reduction of ores, and discoveries kept on file for the convenience of those holding memberships in the association.

Cadets Uniform Fund.

At the entertainment to be given by the St. Joseph's branch of the league of the cross on the evening of December 5th, Miss Kate F. Byrne will sing a song; Miss M. Georgiana will execute a solo on the piano; selections will be rendered by the Glee Club; Willie Dewey will play a cornet solo; George Alden will sing a song; Professor Secamp will give a violin solo; Keller and O'Connor the Irish dancers will give an exhibition; Mike Halpin will sing a comic song; Gus Tate will also sing a song; Rev. F. O'Ryan will deliver an address; Miss E. McGowan will give a recitation, and J. Cook will be entertainingly funny in his Chinese imitations. The entertainment will commence promptly at 8 o'clock.

The Oakland

"The White Squadron," a military drama of more than usual excellence, was given an elaborate production at the Oakland theater last night by the A. V. Pearson Company. The show is, brim full of interest from start to finish, while the climax of the third act strikes a responsive patriotic chord in the audience. Last night the applause, which followed the conclusion of the act, was so great that the participants were obliged to take a curtain call.

John J. Pierson, as "General Roman," the heavy, proves himself a decidedly capable actor. He handles the part artistically. W. J. Jossey, who interprets the character of commander of the United States cruiser "Chicago" is a finished actor, and barring a few mannerisms, gives a very creditable performance.

James T. McAlpin furnishes most of the comedy, and so well does he perform his part that he keeps the audience in good humor. His warbling is the best heard in Oakland for a long time, though as a vocalist he will never astonish the world.

Jessie Welburn, who essays the leading role, if indeed there be one in the female characters, does her work well, though if she changed places with Miss Howard, both would find parts better suited to their ability.

The Oakland

The case of Mary Townsend came up for examination in Justice Lord's Court today. The charge was reduced to that of exhibiting a deadly weapon instead of using it. No date has been fixed for the trial.

Flora of Cutlery at Schmitt and Zehner's attack block.

John Thomas Hegerty, Berkeley, age 26 and Anna M. Sandholt, Centerville, age 18.

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Marriage Licenses.

Licenses have been issued to John Henry Davis, Berkeley 24 years, and Margaret Lestrang of Berkeley, age 22.

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POLITICAL PLUMS

Office Seekers Working For Places at
Sacramento

Political Plums.

There are a great many offices to be filled at Sacramento when the Legislature meets and the candidates, as usual, are a dozen on the average for each position. As the body is strong Republican in politics, the places will be filled by a caucus of the party. Among the leading candidates for positions we find for speaker of the Assembly Hon. Frank L. Coombs of Yuba, who has held the position before and is a very competent presiding officer. S. Bettman of San Francisco and W. R. Guy of San Diego, are working to the same end. S. J. Duckworth of Monterey, who was clerk for the Assembly two years ago is a strong candidate for the same position. Frank McQuaid is out for the position of enrolling clerk.

For Secretary of the Assembly, Ex-Senator George Parkinson, who has held the office before is a candidate, and so is Ex-Senator William Banks.

Thomas R. Anderson and Andy Branch will fight Duckworth for the position of clerk in the lower house. Clark Alberte is going for the position of assistant clerk.

For Sergeant-at-Arms of the Senate, Thomas Rodgers of Berkeley, is in the Blackburn of Oakland, M. H. Smith and Chis Rye are the candidates.

For Chairman of Committees, the prominent candidates are, Cutter of Sutter on Committee on Ways and Means; Judge Wayne on Judiciary and S. Bettman on Committee on Public Morals; for President of the Senate, too, Thomas Flint of San Benito, who probably has no competitor. Frank Brandon of Santa Clara is particularly strong for the Secretaryship. He served two years ago.

On account of Lieutenant Governor Jeter being a Democrat the Republicans, who are in power in the Senate will dispose of the patronage of that body. As the Speaker of the House will be a Republican he will be given the power of appointing the attaches.

Golden Gate Letter List.

Advertised letters remaining in Golden Gate Post Office for the month of November 1896.

Mrs. C. Allen, Edward Alkesh, G. Angelymer, B. Baker, G. Biels, W. H. Berkeley, A. G. Beazlrich, Mrs. S. A. Boyenbon, T. Baryle, W. O. Bacon, Joseph J. Bready, C. H. Burt, 2 T. G. Butler, Patrick Boyle, Miss Judith Bennett, Eddie Bunage, J. S. Coleman, J. C. Coburn, C. L. Curtin, J. D. F. Ceuz, F. Cedley, G. T. Crops, H. P. Damm, J. Davis, W. C. Dudley, L. K. Davis, E. Downer, Adelia Everett, Mrs. Callow Eumato, Miss Augustus Fahlstrom, D. J. Fitzpatrick, B. Fuller, T. J. Frazier, L. P. Green, A. Garvie, J. L. Gandin, V. J. Gabagan, Wm. Hartman, B. C. Hall, Chas. R. Hanson, J. Haburt, P. Haranan, Wm. Holt, W. H. H. P. Henkle, T. W. Halpin, K. J. L. Johnson, George Johnson, John James C. Jackson, R. Kingstam, H. C. Kingman, P. W. Lee, 3 M. J. Liddy, 2 Mrs. I. Lipson, C. T. Lindler, G. P. Landean, T. Little, F. H. Low, F. Meadows, Mr. Metze, D. Marr, T. Murphy, J. H. Mason, C. Moxlin, Tom McCabe, 2 J. E. McTeely, Mrs. R. Guy McClellan, D. McKee, Mrs. McCully, P. McDonald, Mrs. W. McLean, C. McClellan, J. A. Ny, J. L. Nickells, Coael C. Neilsen, I. H. Neal, J. F. O'Connell, M. O'Brien, Mrs. W. Petersen, E. P. Putz, J. Palmer, C. A. Pearce, J. H. Perrine, N. Provast, P. Peies, F. A. Ruback, J. Reed, F. C. Reed, R. R. Rutherford, C. F. Schmid, Jas. Smith, G. G. Smith, Mrs. D. Stevens, M. Sherman, A. Schutt, N. Savage, L. R. Taylor, A. J. Webb, A. Waters, Richard C. Woolner, H. T. Woolity, J. J. Wall, W. B. Weylie, R. S. Williams.

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ALL WERE ROBBED

They Will Travel by Rail
Next Time

FATE THAT BEFELL THREE LEGAL MEN

Lawyers Shaw, Josephs and Von
Detton Have an Adventure on
a River Boat

All Were Robbed.

Ex-Justice Shaw of Berkeley and Attorney Frank B. Josephs had occasion to go to Stockton a few days ago, and returned via the Stockton boat, arriving in San Francisco yesterday morning. They were accompanied on the return trip by W. B. Von Detton of Stockton. The trio secured berths in the most desirable part of the steamer, and after having told and told of the fairy that they knew, turned in, in true sailor fashion. Their sleep was sound—too sound in fact for there was one enterprising passenger aboard that boat who did not sleep—rather he worked, and worked to good advantage too.

While the disciples of Blackstone were sweetly dreaming he entered their stateroom, took a watch and chain and a few dollars in change from Mr. Josephs' pockets, twenty odd dollars from the judge's latest style trousers that he had so carefully folded away and placed under the berth in order that the cases might be visible on the morrow. Mr. Van Detton was not forgotten, and a search through his wearing apparel gave the midnight visitor both gold and silver coins for his trouble.

The theft was discovered when the party was dressing themselves, and it was then too late to make any effort to locate the thief. Mr. Josephs is congratulating himself that he was thoughtful enough to place sixty dollars in gold under the mattress of his berth with his diamonds, or otherwise the party would not have had sufficient money with which to purchase coffee and sinkers and get across the bay.—Oakland Times.

On Terms With McKinley

N. W. Spaulding, who is associated in several enterprises with Judge Wayne of Alameda, is not the least surprised that the judge should in any way be mentioned as a probable Cabinet officer. Long before the election Mr. Spaulding said that if McKinley was elected Wayne would be all right.

For several years past Mr. Wayne and his wife have each year spent several days at Major McKinley's home, and the judge and major have for many years been the best of friends.

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MAY RECOVER

Vance Hallowell of Golden Gate May
Recover

He May Recover.

Vance Hallowell, of Golden Gate, who was struck by the Berkeley local at San Pablo avenue crossing Tuesday evening, is still lying unconscious at the home of his parents, but the physicians are more hopeful of his recovery now than at any time since the accident. Dr. J. M. Shannon of Oakland, with the assistance of Dr. Wood of Golden Gate, trepanned the skull at the latter's office within half an hour after the accident and took pieces of the skull out, leaving a hole as large as a silver dollar.

The patient was washed up by the physicians and then taken home, where the father had proceeded with the news, and broke it to the child's mother. The little fellow is only 7 years old, but has appeared to throw off the shock well and is rational at times for a few minutes. His condition, while very serious, is favorable to recovery.

Too High Priced.

It looks now as if the syndicate of railroad bondholders of the Los Angeles car lines had flown their kite too high. A deal has been on the boards for sometime by which Mr. Butters, of Berkeley, backed by a party of wealthy mine-owners of Africa, would try and acquire a controlling interest in the street-car business of Southern California for many years to come. Everything pertaining to the present business of that section of the country, and the future outlook has been thoroughly gone through with and looked over. On footing up the amount taking the syndicate's price as a basis for the present, the amount came too high for a paying investment and the option is now off. The control of the stock of the company controlling this railroad system, is now in the hands of the Pacific Rolling Mills, the People's Home Savings Bank, the Bank of California and the San Francisco Savings Union, all of San Francisco.

Had the operation been carried through it would have meant a dividend to the creditors of the Home Savings and Pacific Bank.

The Horse Show.

The Third Annual Horse Show will take place in the Mechanics Pavilion commencing on December 9th and remaining open night and day on the 10th, 11th and 12th of December. Classes have been added for horses who have never won any prize in a recognized horse show; also there is a single and double delivery class. Pacific Coast bred horses will be on exhibition. It is not often that one can have an opportunity to see such a fine exhibition of this noble animal and the public should not neglect it.

Emeryville.

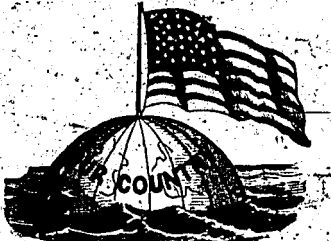
A great deal of interest is being taken in the election of Emeryville today. Two tickets in the field and the workers on both sides are putting in their best work. There are three polling places. Much depends upon the result of the election as the new race track will come within the boundary of the new town and the laws governing it will have to be passed by a Board of Trustees should the election carry.

From the present outlook the project will go through and Berkeley will have a full fledged town upon its borders. Threats have been made that if the people vote to have a town organization the matter will be taken into the

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TOWN OFFICIAL PAPER.

WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 2, 1896.

\$10 Reward.

The above reward will be paid upon the arrest and conviction of any person stealing the GAZETTE from the doors or yards of subscribers.

NATURE STUDY.

In the education of children if progress is not made new ideas are being evolved which are constantly put in practice perhaps, to a great extent of an experimental but out of which something comes of a very material benefit. When simplified they are practical ideas worked up from nature. The kindergarten system comes from second nature or from nature second hand.

From mechanical objects lessons are taught and then applied to practical uses. They are really models of practice from which application is necessary. In making the application study is required. By study we learn and get impressions that are everlasting. The system referred to was adopted for the purpose of amusing, and in doing this it was found that practical knowledge could be instilled in the youthful mind with such a strong impression that it would not be forgotten as long as the mental faculties retained vitality.

A new course of study following in similar lines has within the past few years been developed in the East which has every probability of becoming permanent and instead of getting an education from inanimate things to it is obtained from the animate.

At the annual meeting of the New England Conference of Educational Workers very recently held at Boston, Massachusetts, the most important part of the business done, was acting upon the report of the executive committee upon the attention which it had given during the past two years to the preparation of a course in Nature study and elementary science which should embrace in its outline the most progressive ideas and easy methods of mastery.

The course will be introduced into that city at once and if the plan proves feasible it is expected that the State Board of Education will see that it is carried into the schools of Massachusetts.

A brief outline of the course as presented is as follows, the first year is devoted to the study of a plant and its parts, the object being to make the plant idea as extensive as possible in the mind of the child. The study includes herbs, shrubs, trees, grass, mosses, lichens and seaweeds. Animal study is also taken up during the first year, care being taken to drill the child in observing the habits, principal parts and qualities of the animal.

The second year is devoted to the same studies with the view of widening the range of observation. The matter of history will be given special attention. The third year will be supplemented by mineral study, for recognition and properties of local minerals. In the fourth year the child will be submitted to a more detailed study of plants, animals and minerals with the addition of a course in physical forces. The fifth, sixth, seventh, eighth and ninth years are devoted to the observation of simple principles with familiar applications.

The course is well adapted for the development of the mental horizon of the child, and it is expected to fill a long felt demand. The fact was brought out that a glass would be able to look deeper into the study of plants when in the progress of nature's development, and the best method for teaching is to have the child collect his specimens as far as possible.

Following in this line Mrs. Jennie M. Arms of Boston, read a paper on "Museum work with classes." She told the method of interesting the children, which she employed and said that the study of plants could not be begun too early. Several teachers gave their experience upon the subject all of

which was favorable to the subject generally.

Henry L. Clapp, who is deeply interested in the introduction of school gardens said that up to the present time only one garden had been introduced in Boston, and so far as he knew there were no more in the State, but there were a great many in Europe.

His plan is to lay out a garden at all schools where it is practicable, and to supply wild and cultivated plants so that the child can readily have the means of observing the progress of nature from week to week.

He said the students would take a deeper interest in the study, and while the garden would not be especially ornamental, it would be useful in the extreme. There is no better place anywhere than Berkeley to introduce this system, for it has gardens about all of its school houses where lessons could be given with the least possible trouble. This method is comparatively new in this country and is a progressive one. We have the advantages of land, soil and climate all the year around, and there would be no intermissions of the study as would follow in the Eastern States, where three or four months in the year vegetation is hidden by the snow.

It is a matter which our teachers might take into consideration for future benefit and it is hoped that some practice may be indulged in even in a small way and thus keep up with the times in the way of progression.

OUR WINTER VISITORS.

Every year the influx of visitors to California increases in number. For many years there has yearly been an immense travel to Europe from the United States. Most of those who go do so for pleasure and incidentally education. Those who visit the old countries for education are very small in number. There are also quite a number who go for the purpose of regaining health.

The recuperating powers of California ozone have been known ever since the country was discovered but until within the past fifteen years Eastern people have had an idea from early education that the only way to have health restored was a trip through England, France, Germany, Switzerland and up the Mediterranean sea. Within the time mentioned the traveling public have found out that the Pacific Coast as a health resort is fully equal if not superior to the Continent.

The building of hotels where all of the best accommodations could be had, in fact similar to the hotels in the Eastern States has done very much toward attracting travelers to California. People who travel here, those who have plenty of means to use for that purpose and want all the comforts of their own home, when they go visiting. They are apparently willing to pay for all the luxuries which can be obtained. It is when and where all of these comforts can be had that they will visit.

Another thing which offsets foreign travel is crossing the ocean. Many suffer from seasickness and the dread of an ocean trip and are willing to forego the pleasures of sight seeing in Europe, if all other matters are equal. Consequently when information had been scattered abroad that California afforded these advantages, footsteps were turned this way.

Another thing which gives impetus to traveling away from the Eastern States in the winter season is the severity of the climate at that season of the year. People cannot go out of doors while the heavy snows are on the ground and the thermometer is many degrees below the freezing point with any degree of comfort.

In California the climate during the eastern winter months is balmy. In the southern part of the State where the most of the visitors remain for three or four months they can remain in the open air a greater portion of the time and become more healthy by doing so.

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